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Reports from Cape Colony—Examination for plague-infected rodents— Infectious diseases.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
CAPE TOWN, CAPE OF GOOD HOPE,
November 7, 1904.

The following report by the medical officer of health for the colony on the state of the outbreak of bubonic plague in the Cape Colony for the week ended November 5, 1904, is published for general information.

NOEL JANISCH,
Under Colonial Secretary.

Port Elizabeth.—No cases of plague were discovered during the week. At the plague hospital 1 colored male was discharged. One case remains under treatment. Two hundred and thirty-three rats (63 found dead) and 132 mice (6 found dead) were bacteriologically examined during the week, of which 63 rats and 3 mice proved to be plague infected.

East London.—Plague-infected rodents continued to be found in the town during the week.

CAPE TOWN.

Harbor board area and shipping in harbor.—Two hundred and forty-four rodents were examined; no plague infection was discovered.

Cape Town municipal area.—Four hundred and fifteen rodents were examined by the medical officer of health for the city; no plague infection was discovered.

Other districts.—No plague infection in man or animals was discovered.

J. A. MITCHELL,
Acting Medical Officer of Health for the Colony.

Return of cases of infectious disease in the Cape division for the week ended November 5, 1904.

Local authority.	Scarlet fever.		Enteric (typhoid) fever.		Puerperal fever.		Tuberculosis.	
	Euro-pean.	Col-ored.	Euro-pean.	Col-ored.	Euro-pean.	Col-ored.	Euro-pean.	Col-ored.
Cape Town.....	2	.....	3	1	.....	.....	1	12
Woodstock.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
Mowbray.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Rondebosch.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Claremont.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
Wynberg.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1
Cape divisional council.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	5
Total.....	4	.....	5	1	.....	1	7	24

From the following local authorities no returns have been received: Green and Sea Point, Maitland, Kalk Bay, and Simons Town municipalities, and Glen Lily, Fairfield, and Parow Village management board.

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